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TITLE OF INVENTION: RIM AND SPOKE CONNECTION FOR A BICYCLE WHEEL

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| 10/663,560 | MEGGIOLAN ET AL. |
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| Russell D. Stormer | 3617 |

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address-All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included
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of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- 1. This communication is responsive to the amendment filed August 13, 2007.
- The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-10,12-14,18-24,26-28 and 59-63.
- 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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Attachment(s)

- 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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- Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date
- Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
- Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date .
- 7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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 Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9. Other _____.

/Russell D. Stormer/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3617